DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC); Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Gulf of Alaska (GOA) and Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands (BSAI) Groundfish Plan Teams will meet in Seattle, WA.

DATES: The meetings will be held November 18-22, 2013. The meetings will begin at 9 a.m., November 18, and continue through Friday November 22, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Building 4, Observer Training Room 1055 (GOA Plan Team) and Traynor Room 2076 (BS/AI Plan Team), Seattle, WA.

<u>Council address</u>: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane DiCosimo or Diana Stram, NPFMC; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Plan Teams will compile and review the annual Groundfish Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) reports, including the Economic Report, the Ecosystems Consideration Chapter, the stock assessments for BSAI and GOA groundfishes, and recommend final groundfish harvest specifications for 2014/15.

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at

http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/npfmc/

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for

discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management

Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this

meeting. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any

issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c)

of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to

take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign

language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Gail Bendixen, (907) 271-

2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

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